

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claim 23.

Please amend the claims to read as indicated herein.

1. (Currently amended) A security substrate comprising:  
a substrate; and  
at least two elongate security elements each having a width of less than or equal to 6mm,

wherein said at least two security elements beingare at least partially embedded within thesaid substrate and runningrun substantially parallel to each other with a gap therebetween of no greater than 10mm, and

wherein the total cross-directional width of a zone occupied by thesaid at least two security elements and thesaid gap occupy a zone that has a total cross-directional width that is less than or equal to 18mm.

2. (Currently amended) A security substrate as claimed in claim 1~~in which the~~, wherein said at least two security elements each have a width of less than or equal to 4mm.

3. (Currently amended) A security substrate as claimed in claim 2~~in which the~~, wherein said at least two security elements each have a width of less than or equal to 2mm.

4. (Currently amended) A security substrate as claimed in ~~any one of the preceding claims in which the~~claim 1, wherein said width of ~~thesaid~~ zone is less than or equal to 14mm.

5. (Currently amended) A security substrate as claimed in ~~any one of the preceding claims in which the~~claim 1, wherein said gap is greater than or equal to 1mm.

6. (Currently amended) A security substrate as claimed in claim 5 ~~in which the~~, wherein said gap is greater than or equal to 2mm.

7. (Currently amended) A security substrate as claimed in ~~any one of the preceding claims in which the~~claim 1, wherein said at least two security elements have identical security features.

8. (Currently amended) A security substrate as claimed in ~~any one of claims 1 to 6 in which the~~claim 1, wherein said at least two security elements have different security features.

9. (Currently amended) A security substrate as claimed in ~~any one of the preceding claims~~claim 1, wherein the parallelsaid at least two security elements wander from a linear path in ~~the substrate~~a cross-direction of said substrate, and ~~the~~wherein said cross-directional width of said occupied zone includes thean amplitude of said wander.

10. (Currently amended) A security substrate as claimed in ~~any one of the preceding claims in which~~claim 1, wherein at least one or both ofsaid at least two security elements are wholly embedded within ~~the~~said substrate.

11. (Currently amended) A security substrate as claimed in ~~any one of the preceding claims in which~~claim 1, wherein at least one or both of theof said at least two security elements are exposed ~~at~~via a feature selected from the group essentially consisting of: windows in at least one surface of ~~the~~said substrate, ~~or in~~ at least one hole through said substrate, or and at least one aperture through thesaid substrate.

12. (Currently amended) A security substrate as claimed in claim 11, wherein ~~both~~all of said at least two security elements are exposed ~~at~~via the same windows, hole ~~(s) or aperture (s)~~feature.

13. (Currently amended) A security substrate as claimed in claim 11, wherein each of said at least two security elements is exposed at separate ~~windows, hole (s) or aperture (s)~~features to those at which the other security element is exposed.

14. (Currently amended) A security substrate as claimed claim 13, ~~in which the windows, hole (s) or aperture (s) at~~wherein said feature via which one of said at least two security elements is exposed ~~are~~is in register with ~~the windows, hole (s) or aperture (s) at~~said feature via which ~~the~~an other of said at least two security elements is exposed.

15. (Currently amended) A security substrate as claimed claim 13, ~~in which the windows, hole (s) or aperture (s) at~~wherein said feature via which one of said at least two security elements is exposed ~~are~~is not in register with ~~the windows, hole (s) or aperture (s) at~~said feature via which ~~the~~an other of said at least two security elements is exposed.

16. (Currently amended) A security substrate as claimed in ~~any one of the preceding claims in which~~claim 1, wherein each of said at least two security elements is provided with at least one security feature which is registered with at least one security feature on ~~the~~an other of said at least two security elements.

17. (Currently amended) A security substrate as claimed in ~~any one of the preceding claims in which~~claim 1, wherein each of said at least two security elements is provided with at least one security feature which is registered with at least one security feature on ~~the~~said substrate.

18. (Currently amended) A security article ~~made from the~~including said security substrate of ~~any one of the preceding claims, such as~~claim 1 ~~a banknote, passport, certificate or other document of value.~~

19. (Currently amended) A security substrate as claimed in ~~any one of claims 1~~

~~to 18 in which the~~claim 1, wherein said substrate is plastic.

20. (Currently amended) A security substrate as claimed in claim ~~20 in which~~  
~~the~~19, wherein said substrate is a filmic plastic.

21. (Currently amended) A security substrate as claimed in ~~any one of claims 1~~  
~~to 18 in which the~~claim 1, wherein said substrate is a mix of paper and plastic fibres.

22. (Currently amended) A security substrate as claimed in ~~any one of the~~  
~~preceding claims in which the~~claim 1, wherein said substrate is paper.

23. (Canceled)

24. (New) A security article as claimed in claim 18, wherein said security article is  
selected from the group consisting essentially of: a banknote, passport, a certificate,  
and a document of value.